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SUBJECT: TRIP OF UNDER SECRETARY AND VAN CLEVE

DOA NO.193-TT

1. TO HICOM WINKEL. LETTER DATED JUNE 26 IS EN ROUTE TO YOU WITH INQUIRIES CONCERNING AUGUST TRUST TERRITORY TRIP OF UNDER SECRETARY AND ME. BECAUSE WE WANT PROMPTLY TO EXTEND INVITATION TO CHAIRMAN YATES, I NEED AN EARLIER ANSWER THAN AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS WOULD PERMIT. PLAN GENERALLY IS FOR US TO DEPART HONOLULU SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 5, ARRIVING MAJURO AUGUST 6 THEIR TIME. WOULD RESERVE NEXT SEVERAL DAYS FOR VISIT TO KILI, DEPARTING MAJURO AUGUST 11 FOR TRUK AND PONAPE, ARRIVING GUAM SUNDAY, AUGUST 13. OUR PREFERENCE IS TO LEAVE GUAM LATER THAT DAY, IF POSSIBLE, AND IN ANY EVENT EARLY AUGUST 14 FOR ONE-DAY VISITS TO YAP AND PALAU, WITH RETURN TO GUAM ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16 IN TIME FOR PAN AM FLIGHT THAT NIGHT. MY QUESTIONS ARE, FIRST, WHETHER KILI VISIT BETWEEN AUGUST 6 AND AUGUST 11 IS MANAGEABLE FROM YOUR STANDPOINT. UNDER SECRETARY WOULD LIKE TO VISIT ISLAND THEN AND SEE TEMPORARY UNCLASSIFIED

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FACILITIES BEING READIED FOR BIKINIANS OCCUPANCY ON OR

ABOUT AUGUST 20. SECONDLY, IS YOUR BEST GUESS THAT WE COULD OBTAIN EITHER COAST GUARD OR NAVY TRANSPORTATION FOR GUAM-YAP-PALAU-GUAM PORTION OF TRIP. WE ARE PREPARED TO REIMBURSE TO A REASONABLE EXTENT. REALIZE AN IMMEDIATE RESPONSE CA'NOT BE DEFINITE, BUT FOR PRELIMINARY PLANNING

PURPOSES, DO YOU THINK IT LIKELY THAT MILITARY ON GUAM
COULD FIGURE OUT WAY TO ACCOMMODATE THE UNDER SECRETARY,
ME, AND POSSIBLY CHAIRMAN YATES? IF YES, WE ASK YOU TO
FOLLOWUP IN MORE LEISURELY FASHION. NEW SUBJECT: DO YOU
EXPECT TO TRAVEL WIT; BIKINI PEOPLE AND PRESS ON
RETURN TO KILI? SECRETARY AND REST OF US ARE ANXIOUS THAT
FOREGOING BE AS WELL INFORMED AS POSSIBLE, AND THUS HOPE
THAT YOU ARE DISPOSED TO DO THIS. AN INSTANT RESPON: TO
THIS QUESTION NOT REQUIRED, BUT WOULD APPRECIATE FAST
REACTION TO ABOVE TWO QUESTIONS ON TRAVEL TO KILI AND TO
YAP-PALAU, PLUS ANY OTHER COMMENTS YOU HAVE ON TRIP PLANS.
PLEASE DO NOT ANNOUNCE TRIP YET. WILL ADVISE FURTH R A D
SOON WHEN DETAILS FIRM HERE. RUTH VAN CLEVE, DIR. OFFICE
OF TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS SENDS. VANCE

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